

General Information

All County Board and Commission members must be residents of Los Alamos County. Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board members, except the at-large community member, do not need to be residents if they are employed/represent an attraction or hotel.

Once a resident fills out and submits this application, an interview is scheduled with the B&C's County Council liaison, the relevant staff liaison, and the B&C Chair. After the interviews, the applicants' names are presented to the full Council during a regularly scheduled Council meeting, where a vote is taken regarding the appointment of each applicant. Each applicant will be notified if they are appointed or not.

Only on-line applications will be considered.

If you are interested in applying for Labor Relations Board, please contact Mary Tapia at 505-662-8040.

Profile

Board and Commission Application

Note: Please be aware that as a public entity, the County of Los Alamos, is obligated to furnish this information to the public if requested. Note also that current LANL employees, if appointed to a Board or Commission, may be required by LANL to complete a 701 form.

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

County Health Council : Submitted

<u>Marian</u> First Name	<u>Joyce</u> Middle Initial	<u>Richins</u> Last Name	
<u>Street Address</u>		<u>Suite or Apt</u>	
<u>City</u>		<u>State</u>	<u>Postal Code</u>
<u>Email Address</u>			
<u>Primary Phone</u>		<u>Alternate Phone</u>	

Registered to vote in Los Alamos?

Yes No

Party affiliation as registered: (Select one of the following) *

Democrat

How long have you lived in Los Alamos County?

40 years

How did you learn of this Board/Commission vacancy?

Contacted by board members.

Do you currently serve on any County Board or Commission?

Yes No

If yes, which one? (Los Alamos County law prohibits residents from serving concurrently on more than one County board except as expressly approved in writing by the County Council before the appointment is made.)

LA County Health Council

Community Service

List boards, commissions, committees, and organizations on which you are currently serving or have served. Include any offices held.

LA County Health Council, LAPS Foundation, Baby Net, LANL Biosafety Committee

Employment and Education

List your current and past employment experience.

LAMC 1993-present: Obstetric RN, Director OB, Infection Prevention/Employee Health RN, LAMC Leadership

List your current and past education including any professional or vocational licenses or certificates.

BS-Microbiology, Montana State University; AD-Nursing, NMSU; RN New Mexico; Certified Childbirth Educator-past; Fetal Heart Monitoring Instructor-past, Neonatal Resuscitation Instructor-past; CIC Certification of Infection Control 2020.

Interests & Experiences

Why would you like to serve on this particular Board or Commission?

As a nurse at our community hospital, I am aware of some of the needs of the county for healthcare regarding accessibility, affordability, and quality. I hope to assist in addressing these needs in our community.

What would you like to accomplish during your tenure on this Board or Commission? (Please identify any special interests you have that led you to become interested in serving on this Board or Commission.)

Continue the connection of LAMC to the Health Council.

Have you had any direct or indirect involvement with this Board or Commission or with the County staff supporting this Board or Commission or County Councilors? If so, please explain.

I am currently a member of the LACHC as well as a member of BabyNet.

What volunteer or professional activities have you participated in that could apply to this appointment?

Taught childbirth classes, led new parent class at FSN, LAMC employee, coordinate flu vaccines for the community.

The time involved may be 10-15 hours per month or more. Are you able to serve the volunteer hours and attend training needed to perform your duties as an appointee?

yes

Are there any issue or matters, financial or otherwise, that you are now or might become involved in that may come before the Board or Commission for which you seek appointment?

No

General

Have you ever worked for Los Alamos County?

Yes No

If yes, please list dates and department.

Are you related to any employee of Los Alamos County?

Yes No

If yes, please indicate name and relationship.

Are you aware of any potential conflicts of interest in connection to your occupation or financial holdings in relation to your responsibilities as a member of the advisory body to which you seek appointment?

Yes No

If yes, please indicate any potential conflicts.

Are you aware of the time commitment necessary to fulfill the obligations of the Board or Commission to which you seek appointment?

Yes No

Can you commit to approximately 10-15 hours per month to this Board or Commission to prepare for and attend monthly meetings and training as needed?

Yes No

Are you willing to participate in Board and Commission meetings that are recorded and may be live-streamed?

Yes No

Are you willing to have your name listed on the County Boards and Commissions public webpage?

Yes No

If you have any questions, please contact Adrienne Lovato at 505-662-8293



County Manager's Office

BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS FOR B&C MEMBERS APPLYING FOR A SECOND TERM

Joyce Richins Applicant's Name

Health Council Board or Commission

Lisa Hampton Interviewer Name

2/14/25 9:00 am Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted: [X] ZOOM [] Telephone

NOTE TO INTERVIEW PANEL: Please remember to use this interview as an opportunity to share Council's directives and guidance for B&C's.

Table with 2 columns: #, Question/Documented Response. Contains 3 rows of interview questions and handwritten answers.

4 Now that you've served on this board or commission, how do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? Do you have suggestions for better operation of this board or commission? Of operations of the Board and Commission system in general? *Not much experience on other community boards. A bit scary because we are out there in the community. Aware of visibility and responsibility to the community. Learning experience. Grateful for interactions observed a lot. Likes the monthly articles.*

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5 Based on your experience serving on this board or commission, please share your thoughts on the communication methods between this Board and Council? How can we improve? *Experiences with Keith Leptsh as C.C. liaison. Good to have someone inside that is a nurse. Guide and support from C.C. but not trying to control. Very positive. Very comfortable.*

6 Have you attended any training sessions related to your duties and responsibilities as a board member? Is there any training that you feel the County could provide to improve the effectiveness or efficiency of the board or commission system, as a whole, or of board or commission members individually? *Resources + responsibilities for being on council. Haven't had formal B+C training. Welcome letter + B+C manual. County legal in April - duties and code of conduct. Open meetings + inspection of records.*

7 What suggestions/comments would you like to offer in connection with your Board or Commission service so far? *How to get hospital challenges brought into Health Council to get help - getting patients home from hospital after discharging. Need help from H.C. and C.C.*

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9 If this board decides (or is required) to "live stream" their meeting, will this be a deterrent to your willingness to continue serving on the board? *Not an issue to have recording, transcript, or Zoom meetings.*

10	<p>Do you have any questions of the interview panel?</p> <p><i>How would you see Joyce contribute?</i> <i>Jessica - like medical updates in R.T. work that overlaps.</i> <i>Lisa - report out and provide feedback.</i></p>
11	<p>[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the answers this applicant provided on their application form or during this interview.]</p>

Notes

Thank the applicant for their feedback on the B&C system, and their willingness to continue serving as a Board or Commission member.

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Joyce Richins
Applicant's Name

LACHC
Board or Commission

Jessica Strong
Interviewer Name

2/14/25 9:00am
Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:
 ZOOM
 Telephone

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#	Question/Documented Response
1	<p>Since you are re-applying for this position, you must feel that the Board or Commission actions are worthwhile. What do you consider to be the positive aspects of the position? The negative?</p> <p><u>Positives</u> - Bringing different entities together in 1 forum to share across silos, so valuable to share + learn from each other [even as someone with a long history here]</p> <p><u>Negatives</u> - The challenge of not being in person vs always zoom accessibility</p>
2	<p>What has the Board or Commission accomplished during your term? What have you been able to contribute to the accomplishments that you are pleased with?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. From the survey, gaining insights + thorough that process - an amazing process 2. Starting to put the report into action 3. Being able to provide insights from the hospital's perspective as well as the drive-thru for clinic + handouts
3	<p>What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board or Commission for which you've applied and how do you feel this Board or Commission can contribute to the resolution of these issues?</p> <p>[Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's goals or directives, please explore a little more.]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Taking action on the issues/challenges that have been identified - not just talking, but how to move forward - Next couple of years to be spent implementing, making these things visible to the community - How to accomplish this with limited people, resources, time <p style="text-align: center;">all of</p>

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- Not much experience prior to this, so actually it's a bit scary to realize how much is represented by being on the Council - it's a big responsibility! Rec: Continue the monthly news articles / messages

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- Related to Councilor Lepsch, it was really appreciated to have someone in health care (fellow nurse)
- Have felt supported + guided + involved

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- Trainings early on w/ provided materials

7 What suggestions/comments would you like to offer in connection with your Board or Commission service so far?

- How to bring in more information from hospital (ie, transportation issues) to the LACAC

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- Not a deterrent
- Q: Not sure how it might work w/ off hospital-based email

9 If this board decides (or is required) to "live stream" their meeting, will this be a deterrent to your willingness to continue serving on the board?

- No

10	<p>Do you have any questions of the interview panel?</p> <p>-Q: Any recommendations for me? - Keep sharing info - Keep sharing for the Action Ctr from the LAMCI.</p>
11	<p>[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the answers this applicant provided on their application form or during this interview.]</p>

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FOR B&C MEMBERS APPLYING FOR A SECOND TERM**

Joyce Richins
Applicant's Name

County Health Council
Board or Commission

Randall Ryti
Interviewer Name

Feb 14 2025 9AM
Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:
 ZOOM
 Telephone

NOTE TO INTERVIEW PANEL: Please remember to use this interview as an opportunity to share Council's directives and guidance for B&C's.

#	Question/Documented Response
1	<p>Since you are re-applying for this position, you must feel that the Board or Commission actions are worthwhile. What do you consider to be the positive aspects of the position? The negative?</p> <p>Pos - bringing entities together to make progress and see what being done, observing and soaking in. Raised here and moved back to raise a family, still learning about the community. Realizing the needs of families and people.</p> <p>Neg - not being in person due to schedule, but appreciate the opportunity to serve.</p>
2	<p>What has the Board or Commission accomplished during your term? What have you been able to contribute to the accomplishments that you are pleased with?</p> <p>Community health survey and process to develop the plan. Starting on the action pieces and that's exciting. Input from the health facility perspectives. Flu vaccine clinic. Provided handouts on resources. Can greatly amplify the event.</p>
3	<p>What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board or Commission for which you've applied and how do you feel this Board or Commission can contribute to the resolution of these issues?</p> <p><i>[Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's goals or directives, please explore a little more.]</i></p> <p>Taking action on issues and challenges in the plan. Next couple of years are implementing the plan. That's the biggest challenges. Need resources money and people. Need more than just the Council.</p>

4	<p>Now that you've served on this board or commission, how do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? Do you have suggestions for better operation of this board or commission? Of operations of the Board and Commission system in general?</p> <p>This has been a learning experience. Been a little scary and out in the community. Sometimes think I need to be cautious. Experience in understanding the role of the Health Council and the County Council. Putting out information monthly, that is useful for communicating.</p>
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5	<p>Based on your experience serving on this board or commission, please share your thoughts on the communication methods between this Board and Council? How can we improve?</p> <p>Councilor Lepsch was helpful in understanding the role and supporting the Health Council.</p>
6	<p>Have you attended any training sessions related to your duties and responsibilities as a board member? Is there any training that you feel the County could provide to improve the effectiveness or efficiency of the board or commission system, as a whole, or of board or commission members individually?</p> <p>Training on how to run meetings and responsibilities of the Health Council. Health Council has speakers on technical topics.</p>
7	<p>What suggestions/comments would you like to offer in connection with your Board or Commission service so far?</p> <p>Try to get issues at the hospital and make the Health Council aware for a solution. For example, how to get people home when ready to get discharged.</p>
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9	<p>If this board decides (or is required) to "live stream" their meeting, will this be a deterrent to your willingness to continue serving on the board?</p> <p>No</p>

10	<p>Do you have any questions of the interview panel?</p> <p>Would you like to hear from me? Updates from the hospital are useful. This will help break down silos.</p>
11	<p><i>[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the answers this applicant provided on their application form or during this interview.]</i></p> <p>NA</p>

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